Seattle Urban Forestry Commission

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Nathan Torgelson Director - Seattle Department of Construction and Inspections 700 5th Ave. Seattle, WA 98124

RE: Tree Regulations Research Project – request for briefing

Dear Mr. Torgelson,

The Urban Forestry Commission was established to advise the Mayor and City Council concerning the establishment of policy and regulations governing the protection, management, and conservation of trees and vegetation in the city of Seattle.

The Commission respectfully requests a briefing on the *Tree Regulations Research Project* – *Phase II Final Findings and Recommendations* (dated March 27, 2017) cited as a resource in the Draft MHA EIS.

Learning about the research project findings will broaden the Commission's understanding SDCI's permitting processes as they relate to trees.

Sincerely,

Tom Early, Chair

cc: Mayor Bruce A. Harrell, Councilmember Bagshaw, Councilmember Burgess, Councilmember Gonzalez, Councilmember Herbold, Councilmember Johnson, Councilmember Juarez, Councilmember O'Brien, Councilmember Sawant, Jessica Finn Coven, Michelle Caulfield, Mike Podowski, Maggie Glowacki, Anthony Auriemma, Aaron Blumenthal, Peter Lindsay